राज्यों में भूतल तथा भूमिगत जल संबंधी संगठनों की स्थापना के लिए छठी पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान एक योजना प्रारम्भ की थी और उसे सातवीं योजना में भी जारी रखा था; और

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार ने केन्द्र प्रायोजित योजना के अंतर्गत उनकी स्थापना के लिए अपेक्षित सहायता देना बन्द कर दिया है और केवल उपकरणों के लिए ही सहायता दी जा रही है?

वस्त्र मंत्री, साथ में खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय का अतिरिक्त प्रभार. (श्री शरद यादव) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) जी हां । सातवीं योजना के दौरान स्थापना के लिए सहायता उत्तरी पूर्वी राज्यों (1) असम (2) मेघालय (3) मणिपुर (4) त्रिपुरा (5) नागालैण्ड (6) अरूणाचल प्रदेश और (7) मिजोरम तक सीमित की गई थी क्योंकि इन राज्यों में तकनीकी-कार्मिकों की कमी भूजल विकास में बाधा डाल रही थी ।

Officers in the Office of Development Commissioner Handicrafts involved in purchase of stores, equipments etc.

3498. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number and designation of officers in the office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) who are involved in purchases of stores, equipments etc., under various schemes;

(b) whether the annual returns of immovable properties are being received regularly from such officials and whether any unaccounted accumulation of wealth has been noticed in any case; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken in such cases ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) 22 officers of the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) are involved in purchase of stores and equipment as follows :

Sr. Director	1
Jt. Development Commissioner	1
Regional Directors	6
Deputy Directors	8
Asstt. Directors	6
	22

(b) There have been some cases of delayed submission of annual returns of immovable property. However, no case of unaccounted accumulation of wealth has been noticed.

(c) Reminders have been issued to the defaulting officials for timely submission of returns.

Unaccounted Stock Registers maintained in the Field Administrative Cell of the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) at Varanasi

3499. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some woollen and cotton yarn purchased for the Carpet Weaving Training Scheme through the Field Administrative Cell of the office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) at Varanasi, especially during 1978 to 1981, still remians unaccounted for in the stock Registers;

(b) whether all such procurements of raw materials were duly entered in the Stock Books at all levels and issued to Service Centres, if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken to verify the records at all levels and to bring to book the officials responsible for shortages, if any ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (c) The information is being collected from the concerned field office and will be laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha in due course.